

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 01 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 02 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 30 Sep 2020 at 15:48 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly unsettled weather pattern continuing apart from a brief window of dry, brighter weather and light winds on Friday

Headline for Thursday 01 Oct 2020: Mostly cloudy with patchy light rain and extensive hill fog. Drier, brighter towards west coast. Light winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 01 Oct 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
50%	40%	40%	40%	40%	30%	20%	10%

Forecast for Thursday 01 Oct 2020

Weather: Staying mostly cloudy with further patchy light rain and drizzle, sleet over tops of highest peaks. Some drier, brighter weather towards the west coast, especially over the mountains of Skye and Knoydart.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Chances will be small during the day away from west coast with extensive cloud cover well down the hills. Better chance over hills near west coast, clouds higher up the hills with some breaks developing.

Visibility: Misty conditions away from west coast with patches of poor visibility in association with more persistent precipitation. Visibility becoming good towards west coast.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	12/17 NW	10/14 NW	9/12 NW	7/9 N	6/10 NE	8/12 NE	10/14 NE	10/13 NE	8/11 W
900	12/16 NW	9/13 NW	8/12 NW	6/9 N	6/10 NE	8/12 NE	9/13 NE	9/13 NE	7/10 W
600	6/10 NW	5/9 NW	3/6 NW	3/6 N	5/9 NE	7/12 NE	7/10 NE	6/10 NE	5/7 W
300	6/13 NW	5/10 NW	4/9 N	2/6 NE	4/8 NE	5/10 NE	4/10 N	4/10 NE	4/8 N
Glen	6/12 N	5/10 N	5/9 N	2/5 NE	5/8 NE	7/12 NE	6/11 NE	6/11 NE	4/8 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-3	1/-3	1/-3	1/-2	1/-2	1/-2	1/-3	1/-3	1/-3
900	2/-2	2/-2	1/-2	2/-1	2/-0	2/-1	2/-2	2/-2	2/-2
600	4/2	4/2	4/2	4/3	5/3	5/2	4/2	4/2	4/2
300	7/5	6/4	6/4	6/6	7/6	7/6	6/5	6/4	5/4
Glen	9/8	9/7	8/7	9/9	10/9	10/8	9/8	8/7	8/7
Freezing Level*	1100m	1100m	1100m	1000m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1200m	1200m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Even with lighter winds, it will still feel bitterly cold over higher ridges and summits due to combination of rain/sleet and temperatures close to freezing.

Forecast for Friday 02 Oct 2020

Weather: A mostly dry and much brighter day with sunny spells. Thicker cloud towards west coast will produce a few light showers.

Maximum wind: Light southwesterly winds on the tops, average speeds about 10mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80% with occasional patches of cloud about 700 to 800m, especially in west of area.

Visibility: Very good.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 1 Celsius rising to 11 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: 1200m.